GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
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FUNCTIONING OF TV TRANSMITTERS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

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(a) whether a large number of complaints especially from rural and backward areas have been received in regard to faulty functioning of T.V. transmitters during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the action taken by the Government to ensure fault free functioning of T.V. transmitters?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) : Performance of TV transmitters in Doordarshan Network is generally satisfactory, though complaints of malfunctioning of some transmitters are received from time to time. However, Doordarshan does not maintain any centralized data in this regard.

(C) According to Prasar Bharati, all efforts are made by Doordarshan to attend to the complaints, promptly. However, in the case of VLPTs, which are unmanned installations, it takes some time to attend to the complaints, as maintenance staff has to be sent from the nearby maintenance centres.